



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
**(Case No. 00-659-A)**

**PATENT**

**In re Application of:** Jing )  
Serial No.: 09/995,515 ) Before the Examiner: J. Andres  
**Filed:** November 28, 2001 ) Group Art Unit: 1646  
**For:** Transforming Growth Factor- )  
Beta-Related Molecules )  
and Uses Thereof )

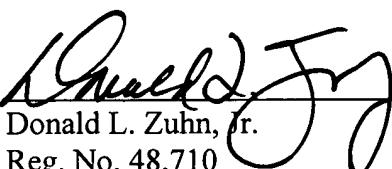
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Sir:

**PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicant requests a Three-Month Extension of Time to respond to the Official Action mailed December 15, 2004. A check including the amount of \$1,020.00 for an Extension fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3), is attached. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2490.

Respectfully submitted,  
**McDonnell Boehnen Hulbert & Berghoff**

Dated: June 15, 2005 By:   
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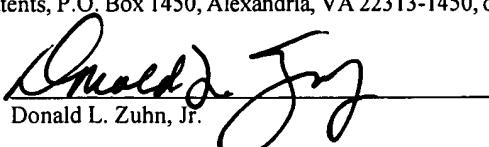
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